GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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ALLOCATION OF SUPER KEROSENE OIL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the policy of the Government for allocation of SKO to dealers of OMCs;

(b) whether complaints for supply of less quantity of SKOs has been received particularly from Delhi dealers;

(c) if so, the details and reasons therefor; and

(d) the plan of Government to rectify the above policy?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) : Based on the allocation made by Central Government for distribution under Public Distribution System, State Governments decide district-wise and dealer-wise Superior Kerosene Oil (SKO) allocation in most of the States, while in a few cases, the Oil Marketing Companies make this allocation to dealers.

(b) & (c) : Kerosene allocation to various States/Union Territories(UTs) including Delhi has been reducing gradually over the last few years in view of the release of LPG connections. Accordingly, dealer-wise allocation gets revised proportionately within the overall allocation made to the concerned States/UTs.

(d) : There is a proposal under consideration of Government to get a study conducted to assess the felt demand for kerosene at various prices, and to strengthen the distribution system of kerosene.